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MURDER TRIAL HEARS:

The socialite, her jilted lover & a jealous fit of rage



MELANIE PETRINEC

SOCIALITE Maureen Boyce's jilted lover murdered her in a jealous fit of rage after he realised she wouldn't leave her husband and saw a text message from a third man, a court

has heard. Thomas Chris Lang pleaded not guilty to her murder when his trial began yesterday, and said he found Mrs Boyce (pictured) pinned to her bed with a kitchen knife through her stomach at her Kangaroo Point penthouse on October 22, 2015.

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Treading water on weir

EXCLUSIVE

RENEE VIELLARIS

QUEENSLANDERS face a \$500 million bill to pay for 600 B-double trucks to transport water every day unless a weir is built in central Queensland.

A report kept secret by the State Government details the business case for Rookwood Weir and warns Rockhampton and nearby towns could run out of water after just one "failed wet season".

Sources told *The Courier-Mail* Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull had pledged to fund the entire project in a meeting with Annastacia Palaszczuk earlier this year.

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Malcolm in the middle

RENEE VIELLARIS

MALCOLM Turnbull has signalled tax relief for middle-income earners is on the way, in a move aimed to win back the Howard battlers.

The Prime Minister last night laid the foundation for a sweetener in the May Budget, telling the Business Council of Australia he was "actively working" to ease the burden on middle-income Australians.

It follows his decision to delay Parliament, rescheduling next week's Lower House sitting until next month, preventing up to four Coalition MPs from crossing the floor on a Royal Commission into banks.

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